

## **CAPSULE SUMMARY**

**CT-607**

**David W. Mason House**

**4120 Broomes Island Road**

**Port Republic, Calvert County**

**c1890**

**Private**

Built circa 1890, the historic house at 4120 Broomes Island Road is an excellent and intact example of a late 19th-century two-story, cross-gable house, a common residential building form constructed during the period. The dwelling exhibits an L-shaped plan, a symmetrical five-bay façade, a full-width porch on turned wood posts with scroll-sawn brackets, and round-arched windows under the gables. Unusual elements of the house include the particularly long ell with a cross-gable, the detailed jig-sawn cornice trim; the one-story, three-faceted bay windows; and the 2/4 wood-sash, full-length windows on the façade. These elements combined with the exceptional condition of the dwelling make the house at 4120 Broomes Island Road one of the finest examples of a two-story, cross-gable dwelling in Calvert County.

Facing west, the two-and-a-half story dwelling features an L-shaped plan. The wood-frame dwelling is set on a brick pier foundation, is clad in narrow lapped weatherboard, and is capped by a center-gabled roof with asphalt shingles. Three interior-end, brick chimneys with corbeled caps rise from the roofline. Indicative of the rural Gothic Revival style, the building has a typical I-house-with-ell form with a central cross-gable that is pierced by a round-arched, 2/2 wood window with a flush surround and sill. Projecting gables and eaves and a raking molded wood cornice with returns further mark the symmetrically fenestrated single-pile dwelling. The cornice is augmented with jig-sawn trim featuring a trefoil pattern. A one-story, full-width porch spans the length of the façade, and is detailed with turned post supports, scroll-sawn brackets, and a decorative cornice with trefoil pattern matching the main roofline. The dwelling is accessed by a central single-leaf entry with a three-light transom. Evenly spaced, double-hung 2/4-light wood-sash windows flank the entry. The second story is pierced with evenly spaced, 2/2 wood-sash windows. A two-story ell, similarly detailed, projects to the east. It also features an enclosed one-story shed porch on the north elevation. The ell is detailed by a cross gable with returns and a rounded-arch 2/2 peak window. Associated with the dwelling is a non-historic garage, pool, and two non-historic sheds.

# Maryland Historical Trust

## Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. CT-607

### 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic David W. Mason House

other

### 2. Location

street and number 4120 Broomes Island Road not for publication

city, town Port Republic vicinity

county Calvert

### 3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Charles Raphael and Carrie Raphael

street and number 4120 Broomes Island Road telephone Unknown

city, town Port Republic state MD zip code 20676-2189

### 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Courthouse tax map and parcel: 31:323

city, town Pr. Frederick liber KPS 1357 folio 290

### 5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District  
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District  
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER  
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report  
☐ Other

### 6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	1 3 buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	1 1 sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	1 1 structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	1 4 objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	1 4 Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory
			1

## 7. Description

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### Condition

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

**SETTING.** Located on a rural property at 4120 Broomes Island Road, the dwelling sits on a slightly sloping, grassy lot fronting close to the road. The property is augmented with foundation plantings and mature trees and shrubs. A gravel driveway provides access to the property. Four non-historic secondary resources, including two sheds, a garage, and a pool also improve the lot.

**PRIMARY RESOURCE.** Facing west, the two-and-a-half story dwelling was constructed circa 1890 and features an L-shaped plan. The wood-frame dwelling is set on a brick-pier foundation, is clad in narrow lapped weatherboard, and is capped by a center-gable roof with asphalt shingles. Three interior-end, brick chimneys with corbeled caps rise from the roofline. Indicative of the rural Gothic Revival style, the building has a typical I-house-with-ell form with a central cross-gable that is pierced by a round-arched 2/2 wood window with an unmolded surround and sill. Projecting gables and eaves and a raking molded wood cornice with gable returns further mark the symmetrically fenestrated single-pile dwelling. The cornice is augmented with jig-sawn trim featuring a trefoil pattern. A one-story, full-width porch spans the length of the façade and is detailed with turned post supports, scroll-sawn brackets, and a decorative cornice with trefoil pattern matching the main roofline. Measuring five bays in width, the dwelling is accessed by a central single-leaf entry with a three-light transom. Evenly spaced, double-hung 2/4-light wood-sash windows flank the entry. The second story is pierced with evenly spaced, 2/2 wood-sash windows. Each is detailed with a thin molded wood surround, unmolded projecting sills, and operable louvered wood shutters. Cornerboards detail the corners. The north and south elevations feature one-story, canted bay windows on the first story and paired 1/1 windows on the second story. The gable peaks are marked with rounded-arch 2/2 wood-sash windows and jig-sawn cornice trim like that on the facade. A two-story ell, similarly detailed, projects to the east. It also features an enclosed one-story shed porch on the north elevation. The ell is detailed by a cross gable with returns and a rounded-arch 2/2 peak window.

**SECONDARY RESOURCES.** Located east of the house at the end of the gravel drive is a circa 1980 one-story, two-bay, wood-frame garage that features a poured concrete foundation, vinyl siding, and a side-gabled roof covered with asphalt shingles. North of the dwelling is an in-ground swimming pool dating to circa 1980. To the northwest of the dwelling in a wooded area is a small, one-story, non-historic wood-frame shed, dating to circa 1980, that features weatherboard cladding and a front gable roof covered with asphalt-shingles. Southwest of the dwelling is one-story wood-frame shed, constructed circa 1980, that features weatherboard cladding and a front-gabled asphalt-shingle roof.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science	
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history	
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime industry	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:	

Specific dates c1890

Architect/Builder Unknown

Construction dates c1890

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

Built circa 1890, the historic house at 4120 Broomes Island Road is excellent and intact example of a late 19th-century two-story cross-gable house, a common residential building form constructed during the period. The dwelling exhibits common formal and decorative elements including an L-shaped plan, a symmetrical five-bay façade, a full-width porch on turned wood posts with scroll-sawn brackets, and round-arched windows under the gables. Unusual elements of the house include the particularly long ell with a cross-gable, the detailed jig-sawn cornice trim, the one-story, canted bay windows, and 2/4 wood-sash full-length windows on the façade. These elements combined with the exceptional condition of the dwelling make the house at 4120 Broomes Island Road one of the finest examples of the two-story, cross-gable dwelling in Calvert County.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Inventory No. CT-607

See continuation sheet.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 2.40 Acres

Acreage of historical setting Unknown

Quadrangle name Broomes Island

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

### Verbal boundary description and justification

The historic house is located at 4120 Broomes Island Road in Port Republic, Maryland. It has been associated with Tax Map 31, Parcel 323 since its construction in the late 19th century. The current deed to the property can be found in the land records of Calvert County in the Calvert County Courthouse in Prince Frederick: Deed Book KPS 1357, Page 290.

## 11. Form Prepared By

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date 2/5/03

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The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Crownsville MD 21032  
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Continuation Sheet

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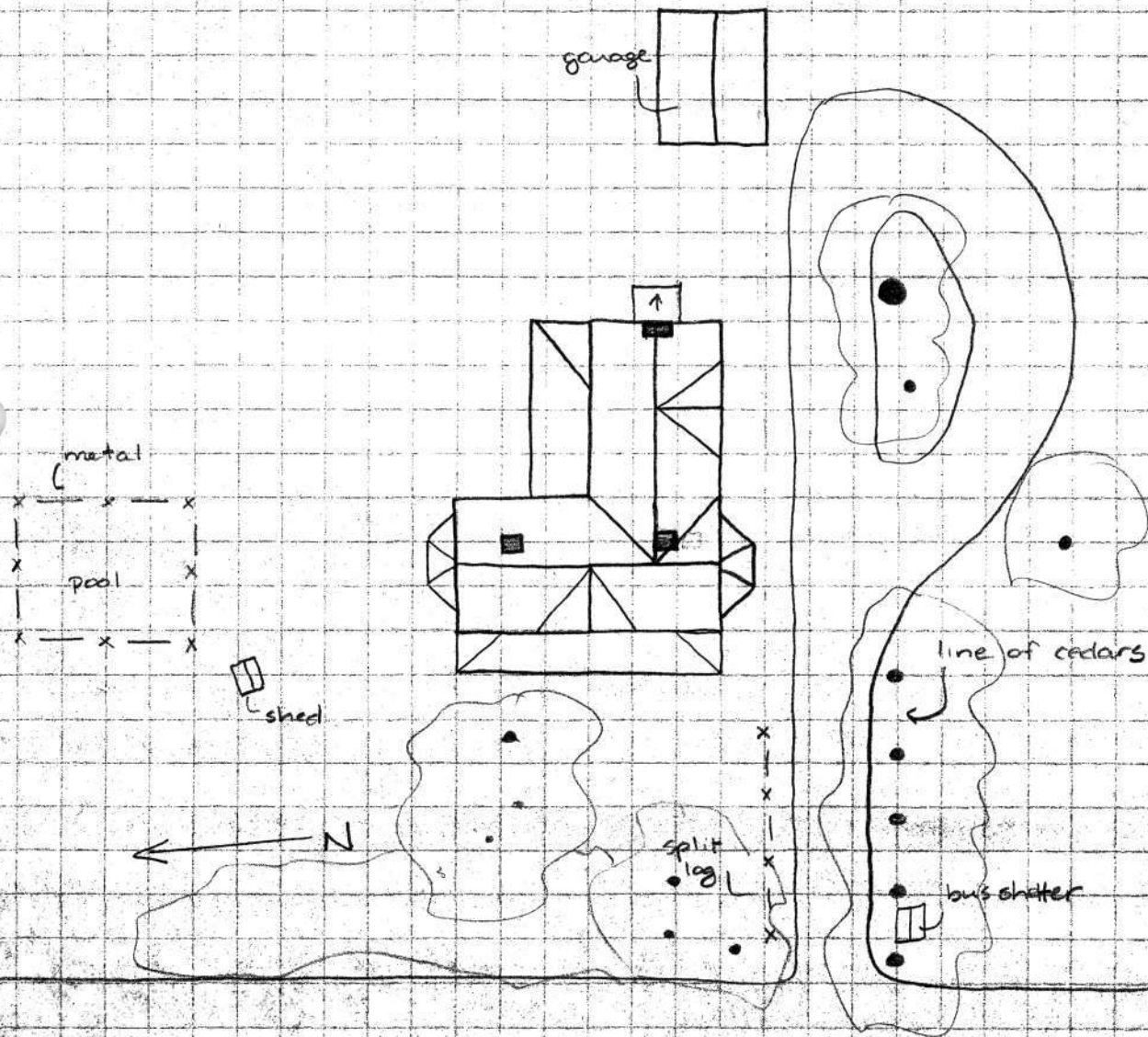
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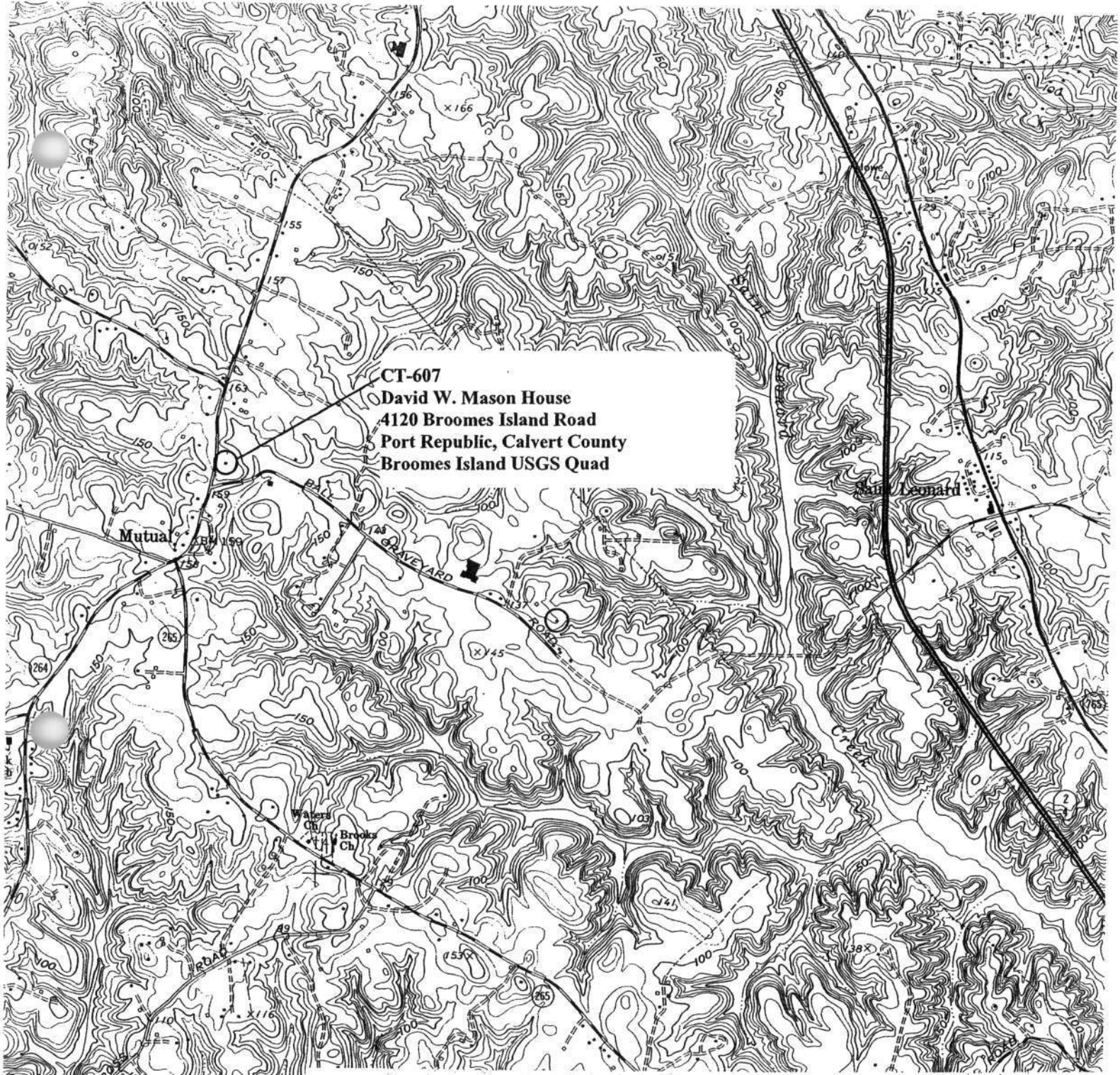
Helms, John. Telephone interview by Carrie E. Albee, March 18, 2003.



# RESOURCE SKETCH MAP

CT-LO7 DAVID W. MASON HOUSE  
4120 Broomes Island Road  
PORT REPUBLIC  
CALVERT COUNTY





**BROOMES ISLAND, MD.**

NE/4 LEONARDTOWN 15' QUADRANGLE

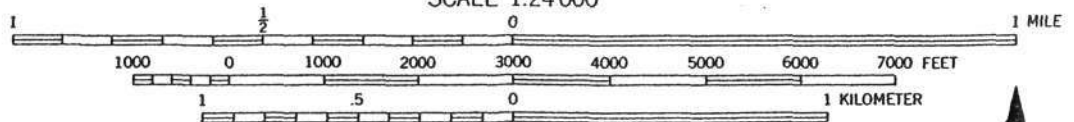
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1963

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DMA 5660 I NE-SERIES V833

SCALE 1:24 000



CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET

NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929

DEPTH CURVES AND SOUNDINGS IN FEET-DATUM IS MEAN LOW WATER

THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO DATUMS IS VARIABLE

SHORELINE SHOWN REPRESENTS THE APPROXIMATE LINE OF MEAN HIGH WATER

THE MEAN RANGE OF TIDE IS 1.3 FEET





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DAVID W. MASON HOUSE  
4120 Braames Island Road  
calvert county, md

Traceries

12/2002

md SHPO

House, west elevation

1 of 3



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DAVID W. MASON HOUSE

4120 Broomes Island Road

Calvert County, MD

Traceries

12/2002

MD SHPO

House, northeast corner

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DAVID W. MASON HOUSE

4120 Broomes Island Road

Calvert County, MD

Traceries

12/2002

MP SHPO

House, northwest corner

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CT-607  
DAVID W. MASON HOUSE  
(Late 19th Century)  
Broomes Island  
Private

This is one of the finest Victorian houses in the county. It requires further research to establish its historical significance. This well-built two-story frame house features fine decorative trim across its several sections. The L-shaped house includes a five-bay by two-bay main block followed by a five-bay ell. Either section includes a cross-gable.

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

David W. Mason House

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Broomes Island Road (Maryland Route 264)

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Broomes Island ☒ VICINITY OF Mutual

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Calvert

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

David W. Mason

Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

SAME

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
20676**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Calvert County Courthouse

STREET &amp; NUMBER

(MD Rt. 765) Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Prince Frederick

STATE

MD

Liber #: JLB 151

Folio #: 259

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE



**7 DESCRIPTION**

<b>CONDITION</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>	<b>CHECK ONE</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This well-built two-story frame house features fine decorative trim across its several sections. The L-shaped house includes a five-bay by two-bay main block followed by a five-bay ell. Either section includes a cross-gable.

A hip-roofed porch covers the west-facing facade. A bay window occupies the two first story bays on the south gable end. The facade's central door is topped by a transom.

Two over two sash windows flanked by louvered shutters light the house. The first-floor windows are floor-length. A single arched two over two sash window lights each gable.

Jigsaw trim decorates the bargeboards and eaves. The porch eaves, supported by turned posts, exhibit similar trim as well as scrollwork brackets.

Two centrally located chimneys heat the house. Asphalt shingles cover the roof. Very narrow horizontal siding sheathes the walls. The house stands on a brick foundation.

A lattice work arbor and picket fence extend beyond the southeast corner of the ell to a small frame garage.

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES Late 19th Century

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Merry Stinson

ORGANIZATION

Historic Sites Survey

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Box 107

CITY OR TOWN

Dunkirk

DATE

TELEPHONE

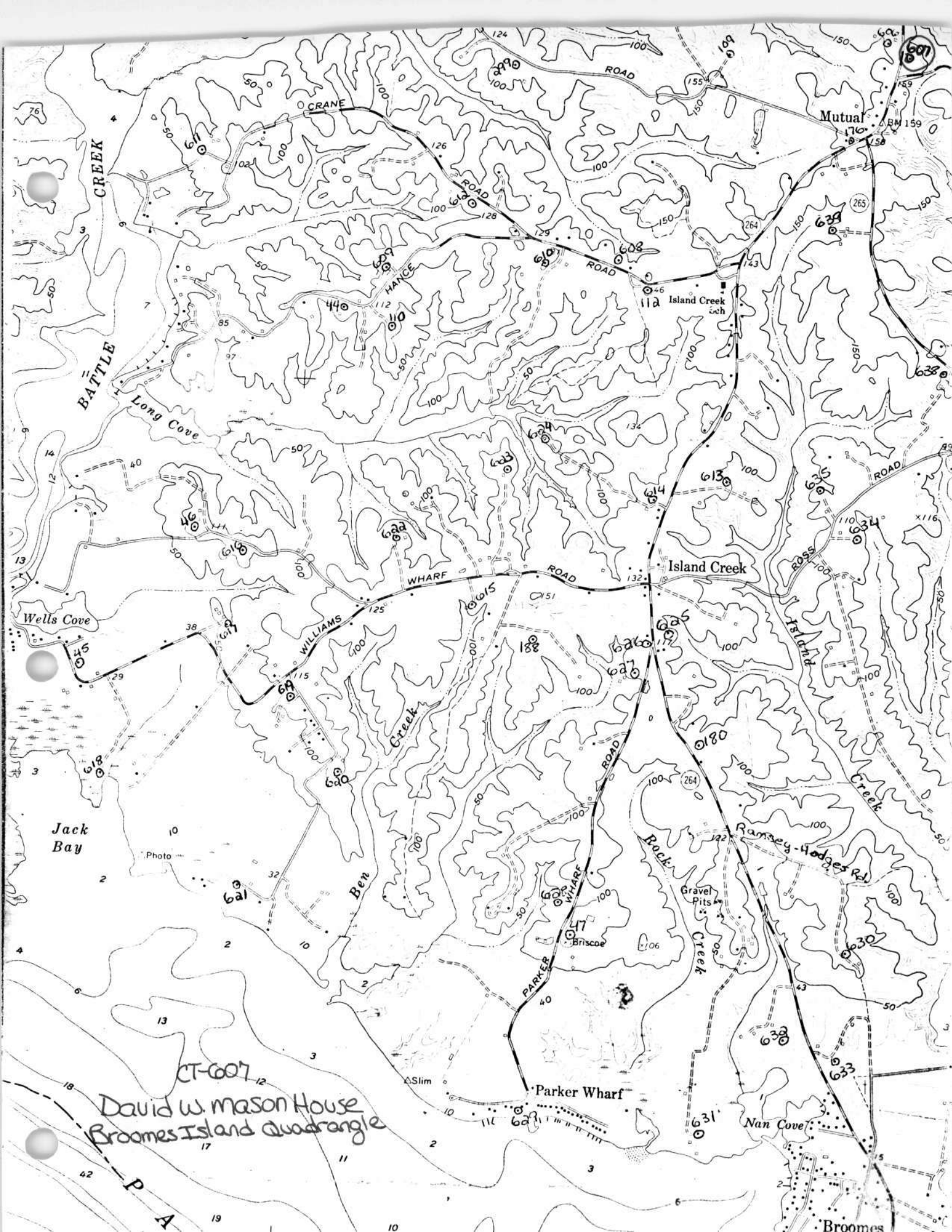
STATE

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David W. Mason House  
Broomes Island Quadrangle

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David W. Mason House  
Broomes Island Road  
Port Republic  
Calvert County, MD  
W & S.

Merry Stinson  
March, 1980